1 [Parties and Counsel Listed on Signature Pages] 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 MDL No. 3047 IN RE: SOCIAL MEDIA ADOLESCENT 12 ADDICTION/PERSONAL INJURY PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION Case Nos. 4:22-md-03047-YGR-PHK 13 THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO: 4:23-cv-05448-YGR 14 People of the State of California, et al. v. Meta META AND STATE AGS' 15 STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED] Platforms, Inc., et al. ORDER EXTENDING CERTAIN 16 EXPERT AND RELATED PRETRIAL **DEADLINES** 17 Judge: Hon. Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers 18 Magistrate Judge: Hon. Peter H. Kang 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

Pursuant to Civil Local Rules 6-1(b), 6-2, and 7-12, the State Attorneys General ("State AGs") and Defendants Meta Platforms, Inc.; Instagram, LLC; Meta Payments, Inc.; and Meta Platforms Technologies, LLC (collectively, "Meta," and together, the "Parties"), through their undersigned counsel, hereby stipulate as follows:

- 1. Under the current case schedule, the deadline for the State AGs to submit opening expert reports is May 16, 2025; for Meta to submit responsive expert reports is July 9, 2025; and for the State AGs to submit rebuttal reports is July 30, 2025. *See* ECF 1290, at 2–3.
- 2. The Parties have met and conferred over several weeks and agree that, to facilitate the completion of necessary fact and expert discovery and to best prepare the State AGs' claims (and Meta's defenses) for trial, good cause exists to extend these deadlines for four of the State AGs' expert reports (and Meta's and the State AGs' corresponding responsive and rebuttal reports) by approximately 2.5 months to August 1, 2025, with the ability for the corresponding deadlines to advance if the State AGs submit those four expert reports prior to August 1, 2025. *See id.* at 2 (similarly providing that "[s]hould plaintiffs submit a non-case-specific expert report prior to the [current] May 16, 2025 deadline, then the schedule will be advanced per the timetable below").
- 3. Certain discovery from Meta that the State AGs intend to incorporate into certain State AG opening expert reports, including productions of structured data, supplemental interrogatory responses, and 30(b)(6) deposition testimony, remains outstanding, including certain items that the Parties are still negotiating; and due to the prior extension of time for the completion of certain fact discovery into the State AGs' claims by Meta, certain discovery that Meta may need to incorporate into Meta's responsive expert reports remains outstanding. *See* ECF 1696, at 4.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Parties are also awaiting a ruling from Magistrate Judge Kang on a Joint Letter Brief regarding disputes over the scope of Meta's 30(b)(6) depositions of States asserting consumer protection claims. *See* ECF No. 1807.

- 4. The Parties have separately agreed to schedule the State AGs' 30(b)(6) deposition of Meta on most topics for dates no later than June 20, 2025, with the exception of a handful of topics relating to structured data for which a later date may be required.<sup>2</sup>
- 5. The Parties thus agree, subject to Court approval, to extend the deadline from May 16, 2025 to August 1, 2025, for four State AG opening expert reports: two reports concerning liability pursuant to both state consumer protection statutes and COPPA; one report concerning monetary remedies; and one report concerning injunctive remedies—provided, however, that the State AGs may submit the four opening expert reports prior to the August 1, 2025 deadline.
- 6. The Parties also agree, subject to Court approval, to extend by approximately 2.5 months the existing deadlines for (a) responsive and rebuttal reports and Rule 702 motions related to these four reports and responsive reports; (b) dispositive motions pertaining to the State AGs' claims; and (3) certain other pretrial deadlines for the State AGs' claims, as reflected in the chart below—provided, however, that if the State AGs submit their four opening expert reports prior to the August 1, 2025 deadline, these later deadlines will adjust earlier by a commensurate amount per the timetable below, with Meta and the State AGs to meet and confer and agree on (and submit to the Court) specific dates for these later deadlines.
- 7. Each of the four expert reports for which the Parties agree to extend the deadline is specific to the State AGs' claims. The State AGs do not share these experts with the Personal Injury and School District ("PI/SD") Plaintiffs.
- 8. None of these four expert reports addresses general causation issues. Therefore, all of Plaintiffs' (including the PI/SD Plaintiffs' and State AGs') general causation expert reports will be submitted by the current deadline of May 16, 2025.
- 9. This extension will not interfere with or otherwise disrupt the current schedule for (a) the exchange of all other expert reports (including the PI/SD Plaintiffs' expert reports and the State AGs'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Parties nonetheless agree to endeavor to complete the deposition on the structured data-related topics by June 20, 2025.

other expert reports); (b) Defendants' and Plaintiffs' Rule 702 motions challenging these other expert reports or the reports of experts Meta may submit in response to these other expert reports; or (c) Defendants' motions for summary judgment as to the PI/SD Plaintiffs.

- 10. Meta and the State AGs expressly reserve the right to file Rule 702 motions challenging any of the four expert reports for which an extension of deadlines has, subject to Court approval, been agreed, or experts whose reports Meta will submit in response to those experts, regardless of the fact that Meta or the State AGs will previously have filed Rule 702 motions (by the dates set under the current schedule) challenging other Plaintiff or Meta experts, including on potentially overlapping issues. The Parties also reserve all rights regarding the number of Rule 702 motions any party is allowed to file in the case pursuant to the Court's Standing Order in Civil Cases.
- 11. This Court has previously extended expert report, Rule 702 motion, dispositive motion, and pretrial deadlines, on agreement of all parties to the MDL as part of an MDL-wide schedule extension. *See* ECF 1159.
- 12. The changes in these deadlines will not affect other deadlines in the case schedule. In particular, previously ordered deadlines to exchange preliminary witness lists, to meet and confer regarding whether any additional discovery may be needed, to submit a joint status report on the results of that meet-and-confer, and to submit joint letter briefs on any remaining discovery disputes, will remain the same. *See* ECF No. 1290.
- 13. Therefore, the Parties agree, subject to the Court's approval, that the following deadlines will apply:

Event	<b>Current Deadline</b>	Proposed Deadline*		
*Should the State AGs submit their four AG-specific expert reports prior to August 1, 2025, then the				
schedule will be advanced per the timetable below, with 1 extra week added for any deadline falling				
over the week of November 24, and 2 extra weeks added for any deadline falling over the weeks of				
December 22-January 2.				
Non-Case Specific and	May 16, 2025	August 1, 2025 (for the State AGs' four AG-		
Causation Experts:		specific expert reports)		
Plaintiffs' Opening				
Reports				
Non-Case Specific and	July 9, 2025	September 26, 2025 (for Meta's responsive		
Causation Experts:		reports to the State AGs' four AG-specific expert		

Event	<b>Current Deadline</b>	Proposed Deadline*
Defendants' Responsive Reports		reports), or approximately 8 weeks after Opening Reports, whichever is sooner
Non-Case Specific and Causation Experts: Plaintiffs' Rebuttal Reports	July 30, 2025	October 24, 2025 (for the State AGs' rebuttal reports in response to Meta's responsive reports to the State AGs' four AG-specific expert reports), or 4 weeks after Responsive Reports, whichever is sooner
Close of Expert Discovery	August 27, 2025	November 7, 2025 (for depositions of the State AGs' four AG-specific experts, Meta's responsive experts, and any AG rebuttal experts), or approximately 2 weeks after Rebuttal Reports
Exchange Preliminary Proposed Jury Instructions	September 22, 2025	<b>December 12, 2025</b> (for State AGs' claims), or 4 weeks after the Close of Expert Discovery, whichever is sooner
Dispositive and Rule 702 (Daubert) Motions: Opening Briefs	September 24, 2025	December 12, 2025 (for (a) Meta's and the State AGs' dispositive motions as to the State AGs' claims and Meta's defenses to those claims and (b) Meta's and the State AGs' Rule 702 motions as to the State AGs' four AG-specific experts and Meta's responsive experts), or 4 weeks after the Close of Expert Discovery, whichever is sooner
File Proposed/Disputed Jury Instructions	October 27, 2025	January 23, 2026 (for State AGs' claims), or approximately 4 weeks after Opening Briefs, whichever is sooner
Dispositive and Rule 702 ( <i>Daubert</i> ) Motions: Opposition Briefs	October 27, 2025	January 23, 2026 (for (a) the State AGs' and Meta's oppositions to dispositive motions as to the State AGs' claims and Meta's defenses to those claims and (b) the State AGs' and Meta's oppositions to Rule 702 motions as to the State AGs' four AG-specific experts and Meta's responsive experts), or approximately 4 weeks after Opening Briefs, whichever is sooner
Dispositive and Rule 702 ( <i>Daubert</i> ) Motions: Reply Briefs	November 25, 2025	February 20, 2026 (for (a) Meta's and the State AGs' replies in support of dispositive motions as to the State AGs' claims and Meta's defenses to those claims and (b) Meta's and the State AGs' replies in support of Rule 702 motions as to the State AGs' four AG-specific experts and Meta's responsive experts), or approximately 4 weeks after Opposition Briefs, whichever is sooner

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## PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: May 13, 2025

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